

ECFS - Email Filing

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<TEXT>I cannot pay more for my telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair and also would penalize low volume users.

I use my wireless phone for safety reasons. I also have a residential phone for routine calls. I don't want to lose the benefit of having an emergency affordable phone. I travel in my job. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely,

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